

LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS

EDUCATION COMMISSION RECORD OF MOTIONS

		At Roll Call:	
		Present	Absent
Education Commission	Shirley Oldman, Chairperson		x
Members present:	Catherine Laba, Vice-Chairperson	x	
	Mel Kiogima, II, Treasurer	x	
	Rita Shepard, Secretary	x	
	Angie Woodin, Commissioner	x	

Education Department:
Staff present: Melissa Claramunt

Date: November 20, 2004 Time: 9:05 a.m. Closed Session: Yes ___ No _x_

Guests: None

The meeting was called to order, roll call was taken, and a quorum was present. As the first order of business, the Commission reviewed the Agenda for November 20, 2004.

MOTION made by Commissioner Kiogima and supported by Commissioner Woodin TO: ADOPT THE AGENDA FOR NOVEMBER 20, 2004, WITH ADDITIONS.

Vote: Enh: 4 Ka: 0 Abstained: 0 Absent: 1 (Commissioner Oldman)

Motion Passed: _x_ Motion Failed: ___

Public comment was opened at 9:13 a.m.

Public Comment closed at 9:13 a.m.

The Commission next reviewed the Work session Minutes of October 15, 2004.

MOTION made by Commissioner Kiogima and supported by Commissioner Woodin TO: APPROVE THE WORK SESSION MINUTES OF OCTOBER 15, 2004.

Vote: Enh: 4 Ka: 0 Abstained: 0 Absent: 1 (Commissioner Oldman)

Motion Passed: _x_ Motion Failed: ___

The Commission reviewed the Commission Minutes for October 16, 2004.

MOTION made by Commissioner Kiogima and supported by Commissioner Woodin TO: APPROVE THE COMMISSION MINUTES OF OCTOBER 16, 2004, WITH CORRECTIONS.

Vote: Enh: 4 Ka: 0 Abstained: 0 Absent: 1 (Commissioner Oldman)

Motion Passed: _x_ Motion Failed: ___

Director's Report: Among the topics of discussion were:

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Scholarship funds from Victories Casino and Pepsi
Staff Financial Aid training
Michigan Indian tuition Waiver/Schoolcraft Community College
Fall Scholarship Process/Michelle Chingwa Education Assistance Awards
NAVTEP and Library Grants
Michigan Tribal Education Directors Consortium/ MIEA April meeting
Department 3rd Quarter Report

The Director reports that there is nothing specific for the Department's consideration with regard to grants. Grants available are mostly school based and site or center based grants. There is a constant review of possibilities with the Grant Writer.

The Director further reports that the Michigan Indian Elders' Association has expressed an interest in the Tribal Education Directors Consortium's ongoing efforts to advocate for this mandated right for our tribal students.

MOTION made by Commissioner Kiogima and supported by Commissioner Shepard TO: ACCEPT THE PROGRAM DIRECTOR'S WRITTEN AND VERBAL REPORTS FOR NOVEMBER 20, 2004, A COPY OF THE WRITTEN REPORT IS ATTACHED HERETO AND INCORPORATED HEREIN BY REFERENCE.

Vote: Enh: 4 Ka: 0 Abstained: 0 Absent: 1 (Commissioner Oldman)

Motion Passed: x Motion Failed:

The Treasurer indicates that at the present pace, the Commission will finish the year under budget.

MOTION made by Commissioner Shepard and supported by Commissioner Woodin TO: APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF A LAP TOP COMPUTER FOR THE COMMISSION'S SECRETARY'S USE, THE COMMISSION TREASURER TO RESEARCH THE COMMISSION BUDGET FOR AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS AND TO SUBMIT A PURCHASE ORDER IF FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE.

Vote: Enh: 4 Ka: 0 Abstained: 0 Absent: 1 (Commissioner Oldman)

Motion Passed: x Motion Failed:

MOTION made by Commissioner Shepard and supported by Commissioner Woodin TO: ACCEPT THE COMMISSION TREASURER'S VERBAL AND WRITTEN REPORTS FOR NOVEMBER 20, 2004.

Vote: Enh: 4 Ka: 0 Abstained: 0 Absent: 1 (Commissioner Oldman)

Motion Passed: x Motion Failed:

The Commission recessed at 10:24 a.m. and reconvened at 10:31 a.m.

Commissioner Woodin left the meeting at 10:31 a.m.

In the absence of the Chairperson's presence, there was no report for this Commission meeting.

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Old Business:

Upon review of Agenda items, the following motions were presented:

MOTION made by Commissioner Kiogima and supported by Commissioner Shepard TO: APPROVE THE AMENDED DRAFT POLICY AND PROCEDURE FOR THE TAKING OF PHONE POLLS, DATED OCTOBER 15, 2004.

Vote: Enh: 2 Ka: 1 (Commissioner Laba) Abstained: 0 Absent: 2 (Commissioners Oldman and Woodin)

Motion Passed: x Motion Failed:

MOTION made by Commissioner Shepard and supported by Commissioner Kiogima TO: TABLE THE DRAFT PHONE POLL FORM UNTIL THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE COMMISSION ON DECEMBER 12, 2004.

Vote: Enh: 3 Ka: 0 Abstained: 0 Absent: 2 (Commissioners Oldman and Woodin)

Motion Passed: x Motion Failed:

MOTION made by Commissioner Shepard and supported by Commissioner Kiogima TO: TABLE THE AVT EXTENDED PROGRAM UNTIL THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE COMMISSION ON DECEMBER 12, 2004

Vote: Enh: 3 Ka: 0 Abstained: 0 Absent: 2 (Commissioners Oldman and Woodin)

Motion Passed: x Motion Failed:

MOTION made by Commissioner Kiogima and supported by Commissioner Shepard TO: TABLE THE COMMISSION VISION AND MISSION STATEMENTS UNTIL THE NEXT SCHEDULED WORK SESSION OF THE COMMISSION.

Vote: Enh: 3 Ka: 0 Abstained: 0 Absent: 2 (Commissioners Oldman and Woodin)

Motion Passed: x Motion Failed:

MOTION made by Commissioner Shepard and supported by Commissioner Kiogima TO: APPROVE THE POLICY FOR ANNUAL REVIEW OF COMMISSION POLICIES AND PROCEDURES.

Vote: Enh: 3 Ka: 0 Abstained: 0 Absent: 2 (Commissioners Oldman and Woodin)

Motion Passed: x Motion Failed:

The Commission next reviewed the Department 3rd Quarter Budgets.

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MOTION made by Commissioner Shepard and supported by Commissioner Kiogima TO: TABLE THE DEPARTMENT CONCERNS/GRANT OPPORTUNITIES AND THE MICHIGAN INDIAN TUITION WAIVER/FERRIS STATE UNIVERSITY UNTIL THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE COMMISSION ON DECEMBER 12, 2004
Vote: Enh: 3 Ka: 0 Abstained: 0 Absent: 2 (Commissioners Oldman and Woodin)
Motion Passed: x Motion Failed:

New Business:

Commissioner Shepard reported on the NIEA annual conference in Phoenix, Arizona.

The Commission recessed at 11:50 a.m. and reconvened at 12:00 p.m.

There was an ongoing discussion with regard to the Title VII budget shortfall for tutoring.

Commissioner Woodin arrived at 12:05 p.m.

MOTION made by Commissioner Shepard and supported by Commissioner Kiogima TO: TABLE TITLE VII ISSUES UNTIL THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE COMMISSION ON DECEMBER 12, 2004
Vote: Enh: 4 Ka: 0 Abstained: 0 Absent: 1 (Commissioner Oldman)
Motion Passed: x Motion Failed:

The Commission next discussed program problems with student credit changes without prior notice to the Department, and the effect on the MCEAA payments to students. Also discussed was an appeal filed by a tribal student.

MOTION made by Commissioner Shepard and supported by Commissioner Kiogima TO: DENY THE BIA/HIGHER EDUCATION/MCEAA APPEAL, CHAIRPERSON OLDMAN OR SECRETARY SHEPARD TO SIGN THE DENIAL LETTER.
Vote: Enh: 3 Ka: 0 Abstained: 1 (Commissioner Woodin) Absent: 1 (Commissioner Oldman)
Motion Passed: x Motion Failed:

Next discussed was the Authorization to Release Information form proposed by the Department. The Commission agrees that the confidentiality of the student must be maintained and approved the use of the proposed form.

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MOTION made by Commissioner Kiogima and supported by Commissioner Shepard TO: DEPOSIT THE \$2,768.00 DONATION FROM VICTORIES CASINO AND PEPSI IN THE MERIT SCHOLARSHIP FUND TO BE UTILIZED FOR STUDENTS WITH A MINIMUM GPA OF 4.0 FOR THE SEMESTER.

Vote: Enh: 4 Ka: 0 Abstained: 0 Absent: 1 (Commissioner Oldman)

Motion Passed: x Motion Failed:

Public Comment was opened at 1:52 p.m. Rita Shepard

Public Comment closed at 1:53 p.m.

MOTION made by Commissioner Kiogima and supported by Commissioner Woodin TO: ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 1:53 P.M.

Vote: Enh: 4 Ka: 0 Abstained: 0 Absent: 1 (Commissioner Oldman)

Motion Passed: x Motion Failed:

Respectfully submitted:

Rita G. Shepard, Secretary

Approved: December 12, 2004